

NAIROBI

Fighting Start?

Many Kenyan leaders believe that fighting will begin in the Northern Frontier District soon after Independence Day, December 12th. Arms from Somalia have been secretly distributed to the Somalis who are the principal inhabitants of the large but sparsely populated region. It is predicted that they may come out into the open, perhaps on December 12th, and raise the flag of Somalia instead of the new Kenyan flag. They would then get immediate

Abroad

support from Somalia, which has been receiving large shipments of Soviet and Czech military equipment in recent months, along with financial, economic and political backing, from Russia and Czechoslovakia.

MADRID

It Is So

The anniversary of the founding of the Falange (Oct. 30, 1933) is always celebrated by a public reading of the wild oration with which the youthful José Antonio Primo de Rivera launched his quixotic crusade: "Universal suffrage, that farce of bits of paper in ballot-boxes! . . . Democracy is simply a ruinous way of squandering energy! . . . The parliamentary atmosphere is that of a tavern at the end of a night of dissipation. Our place is out under the stars. Our dialectic—when justice and the fatherland are offended—is fists and pistols. . . ." The occasion has long been perfunctory, since falangism is assumed to be archaic. But this year a new magazine, *Es Así* ("It Is So"), published by the José Antonio circle, has caught on enough to get its fourth issue banned, and to stir memories. Many young men seem attracted by its romantic and revolutionary radicalism: a kind of extreme and very Spanish populism, denouncing the Common Market as a tool of "international capitalism," condemning pressure groups and governmental immorality, supporting the Asturian workers and even calling for diplomatic relations with Moscow.

EAST BERLIN

Brother At The Wall

When Albert Norden, East Germany's leading propagandist, visited East Berlin in October, he made a special address to the guards manning the Wall. He explained that the Wall was a security rampart protecting East Germany from the West German and American imperialists, and that it was a patriotic duty to kill would-be escapees. "When you stop a border violator with your weapon," he assured them, "you do not shoot your brother and sister. How can he be your brother who betrays the Republic, who betrays the power of the people? He who defects to the enemy is not your brother."

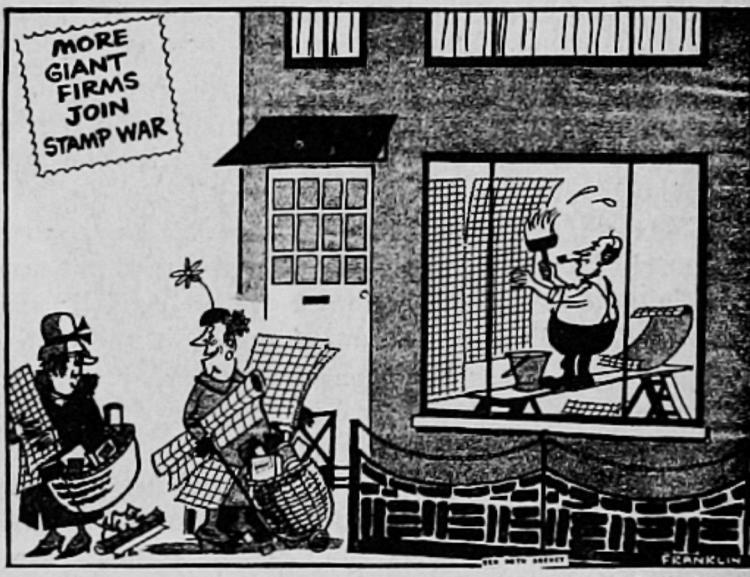
BEIRUT

Stomach Troubles

Two recent incidents illustrate the imaginative cycle of maneuver and discovery that characterizes the age-long

traffic in narcotic drugs. An anti-smuggling agent, assigned to one of the patrol boats that make the circuit of Mediterranean ports, was in the outer Marseilles harbor one day and by chance happened to notice a ship's cook throwing overboard a couple of dozen presumably spoiled chickens. A few days later his boat put in at Beirut and there he saw the same performance from the same ship by the same cook. He notified the harbor police. They recovered several birds, and found them stuffed to the gullet with waterproof nylon bags of hashish. Nearby they picked up several ostensible fishermen who later confessed, along with the cook, and implicated other gang members in Marseilles, Genoa and Piraeus. An analogous land tactic has been encountered and countered in Iraq. Camel caravans from Iran, Turkey and Syria—all big hashish and opium producers—cross northern Iraq for various Near Eastern destinations. Before leaving, the camels would be crammed, like Strasbourg geese, with sacks of drugs. On arrival they would be slaughtered, the drugs recovered, and the meat then sold. To stop this operation the Iraqi authorities decreed a lengthy quarantine at the frontier on all caravans. But this was pro-

TRADING STAMPS COME TO ENGLAND



Franklin

Daily Mirror

*"We're doing our dining room in Weston Supermarket
Pink and the rest of the house in Shield Green."*

tested by legitimate traders, since it interfered with the normal commerce. British technicians came up with the solution in the *Seytan Gheuzw* ("Devil's Eyes")—an electronic device that can detect the drugs in the camels' stomachs.

PARIS

Man's Fate

Literate France is chuckling over a slip made by the lofty-browed Minister of Culture, novelist and art historian André Malraux. His speech to the National Assembly defending the proposed budget for cultural affairs included an elaborate sentence that began: "If you own a yacht and go abroad with a rolled-up canvas by Giotto . . ." (Giotto, of course, never painted on canvas.)

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